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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated August 25, 2004, in view of the Advisory Action dated February 10, 2005, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fee of \$510.00 for a three month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to Deposit Account No. 50-0872.

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